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LOST—A little light brown child's dress with short sleeves, between Cochrane's drug store and David Spencer's. Please return to Mrs. Merwick, 18 Niagara street. ap16

NEW Lily Bulbs and Curios just arrived at Japanese store on Douglas st. ap14

EASTERTIDE FLOWERS, innocent or gay, for offerings or decorations, cut or in pots; also cabbage, cauliflower and other esculent plants; seeds, etc., for sale at Invertavish Nursery, Park road; telephone 578. ap14

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I. O. O. F.

Members of the five lodges of this city are requested to attend a joint meeting to be held in the Odd Fellows' Hall, Douglas street, on Friday evening (TO-NIGHT) the 16th inst., at 8:30, to receive the Grand Master.

Visiting brothers cordially invited to attend.

By order of the Joint Committee.

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200 acres 5½ miles from Alberni Townsite; price reduced from $3000 to $1,000; 160 acres about 3½ miles from Cowichan station, two roomed log house and three sheds, about 7 acres cleared, situate on a good road and on the bank of the Koksilah river; price reduced from $1,000 to $500 in order to make a sale. A. W. More & Co., Real Estate Agents, 86 Government Street. ap16

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Shares of the Victoria-Texada Gold Mining Company, owners of 3 claims on Texada Island, from which assays have been made from $19.39 to $15,932 per ton; shares at par, 25 cents each.

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THE JUBILEE IN JUNE.

Victoria's Summer Carnival Will Form Part of the National Celebration.

The 24th of May to Pass This Year Without a Public Demonstration.

For the first time in many, many years, the 24th of May will pass this spring without formal celebration in this city of the birthday of the well-loved sovereign whose name it bears. Instead, the city of Victoria will join with every other portion of the Empire in right loyally observing the 21st of June—the day selected for the celebration of what His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales has felicitously termed Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee.

That this decision would be reached has long been anticipated, it being imperative that Jubilee Day should not pass without some special recognition, and the sad memories in connection with the close of last year's May carnival being yet too fresh in memory for another Birthday celebration to contain anything but painful recollections for a large portion of the community.

Perhaps it was because the opinion in favor of celebrating Jubilee day was so unanimous that many regarded it as practically settled—perhaps it was because that June seems as yet so far away that the public meeting called for last evening to decide as to the summer carnival attracted very few to the city hall. In fact so small was the audience and so late in arriving, that although the meeting was convened for 8 o'clock it was three-quarters past the hour when Mayor Redfern asked the assembled few for "order."

His Worship commented briefly upon the fact that the meeting had been originally fixed for Tuesday evening, and postponed of necessity to accommodate the railway meeting. He thought the postponement had perhaps something to do with the limited attendance, and regretted that the hall was not as crowded as it had been at the original date. The propriety of a second postponement was then informally discussed, but as it was explained that Tuesday had already been set apart for numerous other meetings it was concluded best not to wait longer for definite action.

A resolution was accordingly introduced by Mr. J. G. Brown, seconded by Mr. W. Snider, and unanimously approved, to the effect that this year marking the completion by Her Majesty of the longest reign in British history, and the 21st of June having been set apart for the celebration of the jubilee throughout the Empire, the city of Victoria adopt that date as well as the day following, for the annual celebration during 1897.

It was specifically stated to prevent misconception that the June carnival should be for the present year only, it being left for subsequent decision whether or not Victoria shall again return to the observance of the 24th of May as the general holiday that it has heretofore been in British Columbia's capital.

WHAT THEY BELIEVE.

That the Shadow Land and Work a Day World Have Inter-Communication.

NEW YORK, April 15.—The New York State Spiritualists' Association in session here to-day adopted the following creed:

"We believe in the infinite spirit and intelligence called God, and the immortality of every human being.

"We believe that every individual is a divine germ capable of infinite unfoldment.

"We recognize the universal brotherhood and sisterhood of mankind.

"We assert that a continued life is proven by the present revelation of positive inter-communication between the mortal and spiritual worlds.

"We believe in love, purity and fidelity of religion and justice as the highest moral law."

HIS SUCCESSOR.

Bernier Will Fill Bechard's Old Seat in the Senate.

MONTREAL, April 15.—(Special)—Mr. A. Bernier, member for St. Hyacinthe, will probably be appointed senator to succeed the late Senator Bechard.

PLEASED WITH HIM.

So Thompson Will Again Be Their Candidate.

BARRIE, April 15. — (Special.) — The Centre Simcoe Conservatives have re-elected B. A. Thompson as the next candidate for the Ontario legislature.

If the system is fortified by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which makes rich, red blood, there is little danger of sickness.

Stub's Vegetable Blood Purifier—local testimonials. x

CHASING THE FRENCH.

Newfoundlands Have at Last Succeeded in Paying Off Their Old Scores.

Frenchmen Complain, But Chamberlain Declines to Interfere With the Bait Act.

HALIFAX, April 15.—Quite a crisis has arisen in the affairs of Newfoundland over the Bait act, whereby French fishermen catching cod on the banks, are debarred from taking herring for bait in Newfoundland waters till May 15. The French government has protested to the British colonial secretary, setting forth that the lateness in the bait supply ruins the season's operations for their fisheries.

Mr. Chamberlain has notified the Newfoundland government that a protest has been received, and points out that complications may arise, but says he is not prepared to go to the point of disallowing the measure.

Meanwhile the French are trying to evade the law and Newfoundland revenue cutters are chasing them out of Newfoundland waters. H.M.S. Pelican, Buzzard and Cordelia are en route to the scene from Bermuda to take a hand in the game. Some French warships are also hastening to the spot. The legislation is a death blow to the French industry, and will also prevent France having this source of training from which to draw sailors to man her warships. Newfoundlers justify the bill by pointing to the fact that the French government pays a bounty on fish and that their fish have displaced the Newfoundland catch in the markets of the world.

HOUSTON IS THE MAYOR

Was Elected at Nelson by a Good Majority Over His Rival.

A Big Jubilation in Town Over the First Municipal Election Held.

NELSON, April 15.—(Special)—John Houston was elected mayor to-day by 95 majority. The aldermen elected are: A. Dow, F. Fletcher, J. A. Gilker, C. Hillzer, J. J. Malone and W. F. Teetzel. The interest displayed in the election was intense, although no trouble of any kind occurred. The town is perfectly wild to-night and a great love feast is in progress.

NOT ENOUGH.

Volunteers Disappointed That the Six Hundred Cannot Go.

TORONTO, April 15.—(Special)—Colonial Secretary Chamberlain's cable to the Governor-General regarding the offer of Canadian volunteers to send 600 men to participate in the jubilee celebration, has caused much disappointment among local military men, as they have taken the matter up with great enthusiasm. It is believed that great difficulty will be experienced in drafting a representative body of only 200 men.

COMING BACK.

Darcy Thompson's Assistant Will Make a Second Trip to Behring Sea.

LONDON, April 15.—Mr. Gerald Hamilton, who, with Prof. Thompson, went to the Behring sea in 1896 to inquire into seal life, has left England again on a similar mission. Their report made to the foreign office in June set forth that the effect of pelagic sealing is not nearly so bad as the Americans have stated.

SIFTON'S REASONING.

His Father Being Lieutenant-Governor Will Remove Necessity of Making Agricultural Implements Free.

OTTAWA, April 15.—(Special.)—The report is in circulation that Sifton is greatly dissatisfied because the government does not propose to place agricultural implements on the free list. It is said he will be satisfied if his father is made Lieutenant-Governor and that he is pressing his colleagues for this appointment to be made.

OUT FOR BLOOD.

They Are Still Fighting in Crete in Spite of the Powers.

CANEA, April 15.—Austrian torpedo boats were fired on to-day by the insurgents near Kissamo while chasing Greek blockade runners. There has been sharp fighting around Candia between the Turks and the insurgents.

ATHENS, April 15.—The British first class battleship Nile has arrived at Phalerum, near the Piræus.

WILL BE PROCLAIMED.

June Twenty-Second will Be a National Holiday in Canada.

OTTAWA, April 15.—(Special)—A proclamation is to be issued on Saturday or Monday setting apart Tuesday, June 22, for the Dominion celebration of the Queen's jubilee.

The government definitely decided to-day to send a contingent of mounted police to England to take part in the Queen's jubilee.

CANADA'S ARTILLERY.

Two More Batteries Will Be Added This Year to the Dominion Forces.

Quebec's Defences Will Be Strengthened by Modern Quick Firing Guns.

OTTAWA, April 15.—(Special.)—At the Dominion Artillery Association annual meeting this afternoon Col. Prior, M.P., presided. He expressed regret that because the Queen's jubilee a Canadian team would not go to Shoeburyness this year and for like reason an English team would not come to Canada, as promised. It was resolved to ask parliament for an annual grant of $5,000, half as much as granted to the rifle association. General Gascoigne said the new equipment for a force of six batteries of six guns each were now being inspected to send to Canada. In the estimates of this year two more batteries were provided for. "A" and "B" permanent force will be served first and the remainder will go to efficient batteries. The defences of Quebec, he said, would be increased by adding modern quick firing guns.

Col. Cole of Montreal was elected president, Col. Prior declining re-election. Sir Donald Smith in an address to the association said he hoped to see an interchange of military forces between Canada and the motherland. A motion was adopted asking the government to replace the old guns supplied to garrison batteries with modern weapons and a hearty vote of thanks was given to Prior for his services as president.

THEY LOCKED HIM UP.

The "Review" Editor Changed His Politics Too Quickly So He Was Arrested.

WINNIPEG, April 15.—A sensation was caused at Portage la Prairie to-day by the Review, the Conservative paper there, coming out strongly against its former platform. It denounces the alliance between the Conservatives and the Patron candidate in the Macdonald election now pending, and speaks of Boyd's alleged disreputable tactics and lectures the party generally on its demoralized condition. It suggests that it would be better to support Dr. Rutherford, the Liberal candidate, in this contest. The Conservatives are very angry over the flop, and they charge that a paragraph was inserted in Mr. McKenzie's election address appearing in the paper to-day which was not in the original. Mr. McKenzie to-day issued a warrant for the arrest of Shaughnessy, the manager of the Review, who was arrested and locked up. Bail was secured to-night.

ROUND THE WORLD

Sons of England Plan For Celebrating the Queen's Jubilee.

TORONTO, April 15. — (Special — On Sunday, June 20, the Sons of England lodges throughout the world will hold church service in commemoration of the Queen's diamond jubilee. Services will commence on Fiji island at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and in due course they will be taken up by lodges in South Africa and so follow on westward. Upon the sun having crossed the ocean and reached the continent of America brothers in St. John's, Nfld., will commence an anthem which will then be taken up in succession by lodge after lodge across the continent through Canada at the precise time reached at each place, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, everywhere the National Anthem will be sung and prayers for Her Majesty be offered up.

WOULD HORSEWHIP A WOMAN.

The Prince de Chimay's Friends Do Not Seem Very Manly.

PARIS, April 15.—A sensation was caused here to-day by the disclosure of the fact that the police authorities had forbidden the appearance of Clara Ward, the former Princess de Chimay, who was engaged to appear in a series of poses plastique at the Folies Bergeres this evening. It appears that the police learned that friends of the Prince of Chimay had determined to create a scene when the former princess appeared on the stage by pelting her with live rabbits, and some of them had even decided to invade the stage and horsewhip her. Upon learning this the prefect of police tried to induce the woman not to appear. At first she was inclined to resent the interference of the prefect and determined to show herself on the stage at any risk, but the prefect informed her that if she attempted to do so he would close the theatre and expel her from France. This warning had the desired effect and ends the engagement in this case at least. It is said the former princess is suffering from influenza to-day, though this report may have been put in circulation to explain her non-appearance as an offset to the real reason.

Work and Worry.

Over-work, worry and mental strain last spring caused heart trouble, nervousness, sleeplessness, etc. Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills helped me at once and finally cured me. I feel like a new man now.

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A STRONG CASE SHOWN

The Counsel for the British Sealers Complete Their Formal Argument.

Every Detail of the Matter in Arbitration Ably Dealt With.

Yet another chapter has been closed in the seemingly interminable story of the battle for compensation which is being waged by the British government on behalf of the Victoria sealers unlawfully seized by the United States during 1886 and the six years following. Counsel for the claimants have now completed their case, and the printed argument was delivered at New York on the 31st of March—within the time limit fixed by the commissioners during their session at Victoria.

The United States will now prepare their written argument, which is to be put in on or before the 10th of May. Hon. Mr. Peters and his colleagues, who have charge of the British case, are then entitled to submit a printed reply to the answer of the United States—which has to be delivered by the 1st of June—and the commissioners meet at Montreal on the 16th of that month to fix time and place for the oral argument, necessitated by the fact that it will be essential to discuss fully and in detail the matters referred to in the printed argument, going into particulars which it would be impossible to condense concisely and clearly for the printed statements.

After that, if the commissioners can agree, the award will be made by them. If not, each commissioner is to deliver a written judgment, and the entire case, with evidence, arguments and judgments will then be referred to an umpire selected by the president of the Swiss republic. His decision is to be final, and the United States is bound to pay the total amount of damages decided upon as due, within six months of the fixing of the amount either by the agreement of the commissioners or by the umpire, as the case may be.

The session of the British counsel to prepare the argument, from which Mr. E. V. Bodwell has just returned, was held at Ottawa and occupied an entire month. It was the 2d of March when Mr. Bodwell reached the Dominion capital, and Hon. Mr. Peter and Mr. Beique had then been engaged upon the case for several days. The work of preparing the argument was finished by the 27th, and the printed copy, containing 187 pages, delivered in New York by the end of the month.

In the first place, the argument contains an introductory chapter setting out concisely all matters preliminary to the claims convention and showing how the subject of arbitration came before the present commission for adjudication. Then follows a chapter dealing with the scope of the commission, in which reference is made to the contention of the United States and it is maintained that Great Britain is not only entitled to claim damages in behalf of the owners of schooners illegally seized, but for every one interested in those vessels or their cargo, as master, mate or member of the crew, or otherwise.

Next comes a chapter on the effect of the Paris award, to show that it conclusively determines all matters in connection with the sealing dispute save the question of American citizenship and the amount of damages to be paid by the United States. The extent of the latter provides material for the next chapter, it being argued that the compensation should be full and complete, not only the actual losses being made good, but the vessel owners being recompensed for the probable catch—the catch which it was to be reasonably expected the vessels would have made had they not been molested, and to prevent the making of which the illegal action of the United States had been taken. To these amounts would have to be added interest on the amount of loss from the time of its being incurred until payment, at the rate of seven per cent.

In reply to the contention of the United States regarding American citizenship, the argument of the British counsel holds that it is not permitted under the terms of the convention to go behind the registry and flag. Every schooner before the commission duly registered at the time of her seizure must be considered a British vessel, and her owners entitled to compensation. As an alternative, if it is held that the commission is entitled to inquire further, the argument sets forth that the persons who are acknowledged to have been American citizens at the time of the seizures, were nevertheless domiciled at that time on British soil and thereby acquired the qualification of British subjects to the extent of their being entitled to Britain's protection and to claim compensation through her for wrong done them while resident in British territory, even by their own government.

The argument then proceeds to deal more specifically with the amounts that should be allowed for the prospective catch, and in so doing refers to the extent of the sealing grounds in the Behring sea, their limited area, and the precise information in regard to them in the possession of the sealing men, by which they would have no difficulty in reaching the place at which seals were to be secured at the proper time to obtain them. Another chapter is devoted to the duration of the sealing season, showing it to be quite possible to continue sealing until at least mid-September, if the schooners of the fleet find it necessary to remain out so long to complete their season's catch. In the discussion of this point a set of tables is inserted showing the operations of the different vessels reported in the evidence, and that in every case where not interfered with they remained in the Sea until a late period in the fall. Further, the argument goes on to show that the evidence discloses intention on the part of all persons engaged on or interested in the schooners seized to remain out until late in the seasons, all these vessels having been equipped and provisioned for protracted cruises, which they undoubtedly would have made if they had not been interfered with by the United States.

A chapter is next devoted to the method adopted in computing the estimated catch, in which it is argued that the voyage of the Mary Ellen in 1886 should be taken as a representative one, and that her catch, under all the circumtances disclosed in the evidence, should be accepted and used as a basis upon which to determine what any other vessel equally well equipped and prepared should have done if not molested. In regard to the prices of skins it is held that the British government is entitled to be paid at the rates current in the London market for the years in question. The price in 1886 was $7; in 1887, $6.50; in 1888, $12.25; in 1889, $11; in 1890, $15 and $16; and in 1892, $14.

Then special conditions affecting the value of the vessels seized are noted, showing how the owners are entitled to claim a higher price than they might otherwise, on account of the unusual expense of building and maintaining sealing schooners in British Columbia at the time of the seizures, the great demand for this class of shipping, and the scarcity of the supply.

Having disposed of these general questions the argument proceeds to give a concise statement of the facts relating to each particular schooner seized or warned, and to tabulate the various items of claim. These amounts, without interest, but including the amount claimed for prospective catch in each case, are as follows:

1886.	
Carolena	$ 38,089 25
Thornton	42,163 04
Onward	45,570 10
Favorite	6,202 00
Black Diamond	10,687 00
	$ 142,711 39
1887.	
W. P. Sayward	$ 47,984 96
Anna Beck	54,309 08
Alfred Adams	20,746 00
Dolphin	68,897 71
Grace	64,498 25
Ada	61,003 07
Triumph	5,325 50
	$ 322,764 57
1888.	
Juanita	$ 32,481 00
Pathfinder	31,622 00
Black Diamond	41,901 00
Lily	34,574 00
Minnie	40,407 00
Triumph	40,950 00
Ariel	20,061 00
Kate	22,384 00
Wanderer	18,697 00
	$ 286,277 00
1890.	
Pathfinder	$ 3,700 00
1892.	
Henrietta	$ 21,404 00
Oscar and Hattie	11,365 00
Winnifred	6,633 05
	$ 39,402 15
Costs of the Sayward case	$ 62,847 12
Total	$ 857,702 23

To this is to be added a claim for interest at the rate of 7 per cent. from the dates mentioned in the particulars until payment is made.

WEDNESDAY'S VOTE.

To the Editor:—Having spoken to a number of people on the subject of yesterday's vote, and the defeat of the seventeen thousand dollars for repairing a school, it seems to me that the item was made use of to show the great dissatisfaction existing about the present extravagant system of education. They all agreed that an elementary system of education was all that was needed, and, further, that the present system rendered the pupil too proud to work, in fact made manual labor derogatory for either sex; that the insanity about the higher education at the public expense was dying out—killed by the effects produced; that those who were running the education machine, including the mixed school trustees, rode a hobby, and of course cared little what it cost, particularly as their portion of the payment thereof happened to be little or nothing. X.

SAD REMINDERS.

To the Editor:—The remarks of your correspondent in Tuesday's issue re the old Point Ellice bridge with its broken beams and fragments to remind us of a terrible calamity, are quite in order. I agree with the writer of the letter in question, that the remains of the old structure should be torn down at once, if it can be done without in any way prejudicing any claims for damages, and I don't see that there is any reason on this account. While on this subject I would like to ask why the ill-fated car which went through the bridge on May 25 last, should still be on exhibition in the rear of market hall. Anyone passing through Fisgard, between Government and Douglas, can see this cruel reminder standing like a shadow of fate—especially to those who were bereft of dear ones without a moment's warning. If only out of sympathy with their feelings this car of juggernaut should be placed out of sight. H. L. S.

THAT SMELTER.

To the Editor:—From the present indication I do not see any probability of Victoria successfully running a smelter, even if built—but that is a matter for the promoters to consider—as, if Texada mines are a success, a smelter will be built there or at Comox, and if the railroad into Kootenay is built a smelter will be built at English Bluff. Nanaimo is also going in for one. Victoria will have a very poor show anyway, as both coal or coke or the rock will have to be brought so far the carriage will kill it. If, however, the project goes so far as to want a site, by far the best and the only one that will not create a nuisance and be open to actions for damage is on Trial island. This is near the city, the electric car line can be extended from Oak Bay to the nearest point. Oak Bay, as suggested by "Johnny New Comer" in to-night's Times, would be ruined as a pleasure resort by putting the smelter there. I shall be pleased to see it successfully worked, but not in the city.

A Resident of Victoria.

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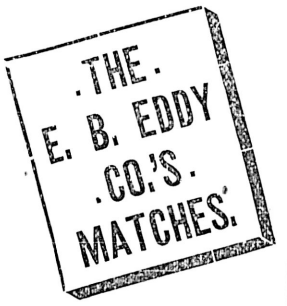

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VANCOUVER, April 15.—(Special)—In a claim next to the Fire Mountain claims some black looking ore was found recently, which Mr. Leckie, one of the principal owners of the claims, has had assayed. The large piece of rock submitted went $400 in telluride of gold. The only other place in British Columbia that telluride of gold has been found is on a claim on Boundry creek.

At the annual meeting of the Lillooet Gold Reefs Co., it was decided that all shares of the company be pooled until March 31, 1898. As a result 5,000 shares changed hands at 25 cents par the following day. The company's consulting engineer, Mr. McFarlane, left yesterday for Lillooet, and will very soon report on the property.

The Orphan Boy mine has been seized and will be sold by the sheriff on April 21, to satisfy a debt by J. W. Haskins of $3,249.

Fairview camp is being very much talked about just now. Twenty pounds of rock sent to Toronto for assay went $1,687.15 in gold and silver. This piece was from the Smuggler.

The extensive addition to the West End school will be built by day labor, the additions to the other schools by contract. A comparison will then be drawn between the efficiency and cost of the two systems.

The customs returns for the last month were in the port of Vancouver nearly doubled at the end of March by the taking out of bond of big supplies intended for the Vancouver sugar refinery. The management of the company anticipating a change of duty took everything out of bond, paying, therefore, in duty less than $24,900.

WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, April 15.—(Special)—Owing to the numerous prospectors out in the Harrison Lake country a steamer will be run to the head of navigable water.

Friday, May 7, has been chosen for the annual May Day celebration.

Mr. James Fraser, one of B. C.'s pioneers, died yesterday. He leaves a widow, five sons and three daughters.

The B. C. Fruit Exchange held their quarterly meeting yesterday. Allan Cameron, freight agent of the C.P.R., was present and the matter of carriage was discussed. The C.P.R. will provide better cars and a better service this year according to promise, and fruit cars will be available at least three times a week.

NELSON.

From an authentic source it is learned that the difficulties over the ownership of the Slocan City townsite will shortly be satisfactorily settled out of court. As the case stands, Hoffman and Delaney, who own three-sixteenths of the property in question, have obtained a temporary injunction from County Court Judge Forin, restraining F. F. Fletcher, who is trustee for all interested parties, from selling any lots until the matter is settled by the superior courts.—Miner.

GOOD WORD FOR B. C.

East Kootenay Spoken of With Praise as a Mining Field.

Many people are going into the new mining districts in order to be on the ground when the snow disappears. It has been asked where will be the greatest excitement—a question difficult to answer. The Trail Creek district has, during the past two years, been thoroughly explored and thousands of claims have been recorded. Now the adventurous prospector is starting out for new fields. Those familiar with the conditions of the different sections of British Columbia say the greatest interest will be taken in those sections where railroads are sure to be built. The interest in the Slocan will not abate this season. It is a field of wonderful possibilities and its exploration has scarcely begun. East Kootenay will probably attract more attention than any other section. It is practically a virgin field, and offers great inducements to the prospector and miner. Its resources are not known, but enough has been revealed to warrant the belief that great bodies of mineral are hidden within the mountains. There is a stretch of water from the international boundary to the Canadian Pacific railway, which, if prospected at all, has been explored along the streams, and not into the mountains. The Duncan, Lardeau and Trout Lake districts are promising fields, but portions of those districts are difficult to prospect; the mountains are steep and rugged, and it is said there is more danger in exploring them than any other part of British Columbia.

There is a probability of a railroad being built from Arrow lake to Trout Lake city, in the vicinity of which some valuable mines have been located. The Boundary Creek district is well known, and the value of its mineral deposits can scarcely be estimated. A large amount of development has been done and now the people are anxiously waiting for a railroad.

In looking over the mining field it would seem that no mistake can be made in selecting any of the districts mentioned, as a field for operation. The building of the Crow's Nest Pass railway will naturally attract people to East Kootenay, and that section will first feel the effects of its construction.—Spokesman-Review.

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SEEN FROM THE SOUTH.

What is Said About the Fort Steele District in Washington State.

John Fitzgerald arrived in the city from the Fort Steele district last Saturday. He has been looking over the district for the past three months and expresses the opinion that it is to-day the greatest mineral country in British Columbia. He said yesterday:

"The North Star mine is making a wonderful mineral showing. I have been through the Coeur d'Alene mines, and none of them ever made the showing that is now made on the North Star. There are several thousand tons of ore now at the landing awaiting shipment down the river, and about 5,000 tons at the mine ready to ship. Were transportation facilities sufficient, there is no reason why 20,000 tons of crude ore and carbonates could not be shipped in a year.

"Only a short distance away from the North Star is the Sullivan group. While but little work has been done on the property, wherever the ground has been opened mineral has been found; it is a wonderful showing.

"In all of my experience in the mines I have never seen a country like it; it is one big mineral zone.

"The Perry Creek district is attracting much attention and it bids fair to be a big gold producer. The ledges are large and the quartz is rich.

"There is a large amount of ore awaiting shipment at the St. Eugene. The more this property is developed the bigger it gets. When the railroad gets there, the mine will be an enormous producer. The Lake View, in the same vicinity, has a good showing."

"As a whole, how do you regard the country?"

"With the work done, the country makes the best mineral showing I have ever seen. Several townsites have recently been taken up, among them the town of Kimberly, lying between the North Star and Sullivan group. Owing to its proximity to those mines, it bids fair to be a town of considerable importance. There will be another good town at Cranbrook. Where the big town of the district will be located is difficult to say."—Spokane Review.

CLOSE AT HAND MINES

General Description of a Mineral District Within Easy Reach of Victoria.

Cumberland Considers That the Quamichan Mountains Will Produce Much Valuable Ore.

I notice in the issue of the SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST, dated April 8, that your correspondent in Duncan speaks very briefly of what may prove to be one of the most profitable enterprises ever entered into by many of the inhabitants of Cowichan district. I refer to the mining industry, and I think it would prove of interest to your readers, to give a description of the mineral belt and some of the claims located thereon in and around this neighborhood. As was mentioned in the SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST some time ago by a special correspondent, a zone of eruptive rock, seemingly dioritic, and traversed by numerous dykes of rhyolite or an allied rock, extends from Salt Spring island across the Sansum narrows and via Maple Bay through Comiaken, Somenos and Chemainus districts. This zone is highly mineralized; chalcopyrite is the most prevalent mineral, accompanied in some veins by galena, and carrying both gold and silver. The gangue matter of these veins is quartz and schist in varying proportions, together with calcite, gypsum, etc. The general trend of the veins is about 10 degrees north of magnetic west, but a few veins, and these some of the best, run northeast and southwest. I will now give a short account of some of these claims, beginning with south Salt Spring island. The L. W. D. Mining Co. have located three contiguous claims, fronting on the Sansum Narrows, on one of which a drift has been run in about sixty feet on a very promising silver and copper lead. There are several other equally promising ledges on this property, particularly one running in a southwesterly direction and cutting across the other leads, and the company intend to thoroughly exploit their property this summer. Another claim located by Messrs. Dwyer and Willmer shows from the small amount done a very promising appearance. Messrs. Musgrave, Fall, Livingstone & Co. have located numerous claims on what may prove to be some of the best leads on the island. At the present moment development work is being vigorously pushed forward and the mineral matter (bornite) looks of very good quality and, if I am not mistaken, will carry a very fair percentage of both gold and silver. The Allard Bros., Messrs. Bevins, Brownell, Miller and others, have also got claims in various parts of south Salt Spring, but as no work, so far as I know, has been done on these properties, and I have not been over them, I cannot give a description of them. Crossing the Narrows the next mineral property is what is known by the name of the Sansum copper mine, owned by Messrs. Bythe and Wood. This property is at present under a working bond to an English syndicate, who, through their agent here, are at present actively engaged in the work called for by the bond.

Maple Bay mountain is the next place on which claims have been staked out, both by Cowichan and, towards Osborne Bay, by Nanaimo parties, these latter have, I understand, been already rewarded for their enterprise by striking at a depth of forty feet a rich gold-bearing vein on their property on the Sansum Narrows. What are called on the maps the Quamichan mountains, but known locally as Richards mountains, and the country contiguous to the North of them, will, however, I think prove eventually to be the most abundant producers of valuable minerals. There are four or five series of parallel veins traceable for nearly the whole length of these mountains, and each of these veins have been staked for continuous lines for about three miles; but as this article is already rather lengthy, I will postpone a description of these properties to a date in the near future.

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It has been decided by the city council and a public meeting of citizens that the celebration of the Queen's birthday in Victoria shall for this year only be postponed until June 21 and June 22. This is not to be understood as an abandonment of May 24 as an annual celebration, but simply is intended to put this city, which bears Her Gracious Majesty's name, in line with the other capitals of the Queen's dominions.

THE SUBSIDY BILL.

The railway subsidy bill was passed to its second reading last night by a substantial majority. If Dr. Walkem had not come in a moment too late his vote also would have been cast for the measure. The opposition having now placed themselves on record in respect to the measure, and having failed to carry their point, will no doubt be prepared to strengthen the hands of the government in pressing upon the Dominion the claims of the Province for assistance in railway construction which we are sure they recognize as fully as any one else.

THE CROW'S NEST PASS RAILWAY

We are not greatly surprised at the reported refusal of the Canadian Pacific to accept a subsidy of $3,150,000 conditional on the surrender of the exemption from government interference with its transportation rates and the right to construct branch lines on filing location claims. Under its charter the company's rates may not be interfered with by the government until a dividend of 10 per cent. on the stock has been earned, which, so far as the present management and ownership of the road is concerned, is equivalent to a guarantee of no interference whatever. The total earnings of the road each year may be approximated at $20,000,000. It is, therefore, very evident that a small interference with rates might in a few years affect the income of a much greater sum than the proposed subsidy. While $3,150,000 is a very large sum of money to a new company, it is not likely to be very influential in determining the policy of one in receipt of such a vast revenue. The right to construct branch lines without coming to parliament for authority is also worth a great deal of money to a trunk line running through a country in the very infancy of its development. By it the Canadian Pacific is able, if it sees its way clear to do so, to head off much of the competition to which it otherwise might be subjected.

The situation of the Crow's Nest Pass line is somewhat peculiar. The Canadian Pacific intends to build it, at least such is our information; yet we recognize the extreme difficulty of finding out the real intention of the great railway corporations. Perhaps in many cases they are not quite sure themselves what they are going to do. The reported interview with the Minister of Railways leaves it in doubt as to what the intentions of the company are, and there will be considerable anxiety in the Province until the decision has been officially announced. It will be a very unfortunate thing if, after all that has been said in regard to the imperative necessity for the construction of this railway, it should be postponed for a year or more by reason of the failure of the Canadian Pacific and the government to come to a satisfactory agreement. The public has been led to believe that if any one thing in regard to railways was more certain than anything else it was that this road would be begun this year and pushed through to completion at the earliest possible day.

Later dispatches indicate that the public has not yet been put in possession of all the facts of the case, and therefore judgment must be suspended.

BEGINNING NOWHERE AND ENDING NOWHERE.

The above was a pet expression of the opposition in the debate on the railway subsidy bill. It was very strange language in the mouths of residents of British Columbia. We can recall when it used to be said of the Canadian Pacific that it would begin nowhere and end nowhere. Vancouver is the "nowhere" at which it was to end. We can imagine that if any man three years ago had asked for a subsidy for a railway from the Coast to Kootenay he would have been met by the objection that it began nowhere and ended nowhere. Two years ago if anyone had asked for a subsidy to build a line from Penticton to Boundary Creek he would have been met by the same objection. Rossland was "nowhere" two years ago; so was Trail; so was Sandon; so was Slocan City; so was Grand Forks; so were a dozen other places. At present Cariboo is nowhere in the opinion of the opposition. Yet this "nowhere" has produced ten times as much gold as all the "somewheres" in the province put together.

It is a pitiable sight to hear men malign their own Province because a measure to develop it emanates from some one with whom they are not in political sympathy. Chilliwack was "nowhere" in the minds of the opposition until the government decided to subsidize a line through the Hope mountains. Oddly enough though Cariboo is nowhere when it is proposed to build a line from the Coast, it becomes a very important somewhere when it is proposed to build a line into it from a point on the Canadian Pacific railway.

It is not possible to congratulate the members of the opposition upon the anti-Victoria spirit which they evinced on the railway debate. The Victoria people have taken a very different attitude. They have insisted that in any railway subsidy the claims of Victoria should be considered, but they have asked nothing for this city that they were unwilling to grant to other cities. On the other hand the whole force of the opposition has been directed against what they regard as projects favorable to this city.

THE Hon. Provincial Secretary appears to have incurred the displeasure of the opposition in some especial manner, for to them things, which would be all perfectly right and wholly praiseworthy in the case of anyone else, became little short of criminal in the case of Col. Baker. Ten years ago a gentleman, exploring the southeastern portion of this province, discovered coal lands, organized a company, bought some of the lands from the province and paid for them. Later the same gentleman was instrumental in organizing a railway company—which he kept alive by great effort until the value of the railway as a commercial enterprise became apparent to everybody. He never owned very much of the stock of the company, but in order to get capitalists to start the enterprise, so as to warrant an application for the renewal of the charter, he had to join with his fellow-shareholders and surrender five-sixths of the stock to Eastern people. Of the remaining sixth he has a very small portion. As the result of his efforts to keep the project alive the railway will now be built. If John Smith, Thomas Brown or William Jones had done this, he would be regarded as a persevering and energetic man whose efforts were worthy of commendation and merited some substantial reward; but since Col. Baker did it, he deserves political ostracism, and ought to be thankful that he keeps out of the penitentiary. Col. Baker has one fault in this connection. He is too lenient with his assailants. He has done nothing which will not stand the Rontgen rays of the keenest criticism. He has been needlessly scrupulous in the matter of voting on B. C. Southern legislation. He has been instrumental in an exceptional way in bringing to light the great mineral wealth of East Kootenay, and, if, metaphorically speaking, he would take off his coat and give his detractors the drubbing they deserve, he would do himself justice and the public a favor.

THE very brief reference, in the report of the proceedings of the house on Wednesday night, to the Attorney-General's denial of any connection of his firm with the Columbia & Western railway hardly did justice to his strong and convincing answer to Mr. Forster's assertion. Mr. Eberts showed that while his partner had acted for the Union Trust Company of New York in filing the Columbia & Western Railway Company's mortgage for registration and had tried a few small cases for the B.C. Smelting and Refining Company, neither his partner nor he himself, nor the firm of Eberts & Taylor are or were the solicitors or agents of the Columbia & Western Railway Company. His denial was so explicit that Mr. Forster very promptly said it was quite satisfactory and would be accepted by the house. Thus is another of the pet opposition scandals buried beyond the hope of resurrection.

THE Vancouver World is still hot. It now professes to believe that the editor of the COLONIST is opposed to the Coast-Kootenay road. If it were material to any question now before the public to establish the position of the editor of the COLONIST in regard to that railway, it would be the easiest thing in the world to prove that the World is entirely mistaken. But the COLONIST does not propose to engage in a profitless personal discussion. If we were, a certain bad break lately made by the manager of an esteemed contemporary would be a sufficient warning.

MR. BOOTH punctured Mr. Williams' tire very neatly. Mr. Williams said that he was greatly in favor of the subsidy for the line from the Coast to Boundary Creek, but opposed to that for the line from the head of Bute Inlet to Quesnelle. He did not, however, believe the latter would ever be built. For these reasons he would vote against the bill. Mr. Booth pointed out that the member for Vancouver was prepared to defeat something that his constituents wanted for the sake of preventing something which he claimed to know would never happen.

WE think the News-Advertiser is wrong in saying that it is best to ignore such gross articles as that recently printed in the Rossland Mining Review. There has been a disposition recently in some quarters, both within and without the Province, to make scandalous attacks upon the members of the Provincial government. These have been carried on to such an extent that some of the eastern papers take them as admittedly true. It is time they were stopped, and we think they have been.

SURELY the quarantine officer must see that his course in regard to the Alice A. Leigh is unwarranted either by law or good sense. His unfortunate mistake in regard to the smallpox cases on the steamer Victoria a short time ago no doubt makes him feel like being very cautious, but there is such a thing as being absurdly prudent.

THE idea of the Province of British Columbia undertaking to embark in the government ownership of railways, and to count upon the Dominion putting up two-thirds of the cost of the lines, is really too funny for serious consideration.

THE suggestion of our correspondent that the remains of the old Point Ellice bridge should be taken down is a good one.

CORRESPONDENTS will receive attention as soon as possible.

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He—Your father refuses to give his consent?

She—Absolutely.

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"Yes, dearest; I will see if I can work a railway pass to-morrow."—Yonkers Statesman.

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Tuesday, 20th April, 1897.

Joshua Davies, Auctioneer, has been instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the Naval Yard, Esquimalt, at 11 o'clock precisely, on the above date, a quantity of

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In the Matter of the Winding Up Act and Amending Acts, and
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Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the order of His Honor William Norman Bole, local Judge, made herein on the 13th day of April, 1897, William Denny, the Official Liquidator of the above-named Company will on Wednesday, the 28th day of April, 1897, proceed to distribute all the assets of the above Company in pursuance of the terms of the said order without further notice, unless in the meantime cause be shown to the contrary to the satisfaction of the Judge and any party or parties objecting to such distribution are hereby required to file written notices stating the grounds of their objections properly verified with the District Registrar at Vancouver, B.C., not later than twelve o'clock noon on Monday, the 26th day of April, 1897.

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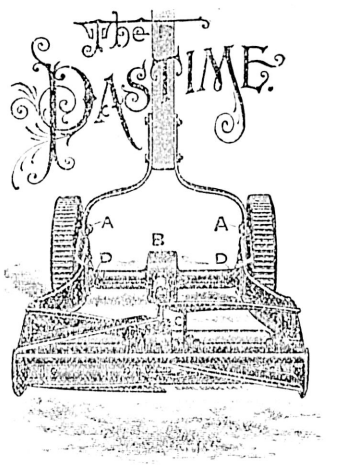

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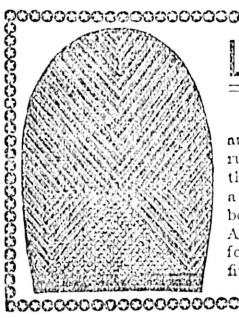

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THE CITY.

The Oak Bay ground will be open for practice by the lady members of the hockey club to-morrow at 3 o'clock.

Table d'hote luncheons to-day, 40 cents, and only the finest and most tempting foods served. Lawrence, the caterer.

The Cadet Royal Templars of Temperance are to give a window social on Tuesday evening next at the Y.M.C.A. hall, when the programme will include attractive musical selections, fancy drill and unique wand exercises.

To-day, Saturday, Sunday and Monday the Consolidated Railway will meet the increased Easter holiday traffic by running a fifteen-minute service on the Oak Bay branch to connect with the Fort street line from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

As it is a joint meeting from the five lodges of the I.O.O.F. that is to be held to-night for the purpose of receiving and intertaining H. B. Gilmour, of Vancouver, grand master of B. C., there is a large turn-out of members expected to attend.

In the County court yesterday, before Judge Harrison, the suit for damages for wrongful dismissal, brought by Mrs. Ella Jones against Mr. William Foot of Lake District, was concluded. The defence set up was that the defendant denied there was an agreement as alleged, and the dismissal was justified on the ground of misconduct on the part of Mrs. Jones. The result was that a verdict was entered in Mrs. Jones' favor for $65 and costs. Mr. Martin appeared for Mrs. Jones, and Mr. Potts, of Drake, Jackson & Helmcken, for Mr. Foot.

At the home of her parents on the Burnside road last Wednesday evening, Miss Lillian Grace Wilson became the happy bride of Mr. Ernest W. Sketch of Saanich, Rev. Mr. Christmas of that district officiating. The weather being perfection and the guests numerous, the marriage was solemnized on the lawn, under the budding trees. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. J. J. Wilson, and supported by her three sisters —Emma, Flossie and Mabel. Mr. John Thomson of the E. & N. railway acted as best man. After the ceremony a recherche wedding supper was served, and with the inspection of the many and well chosen wedding gifts, games and dancing, the bridal day was brought to a merry close.

Mr. W. H. Hayward, of Metchosin, has conceived a happy idea for interesting the school children of Esquimalt in the Diamond Jubilee, and perhaps other public hearted people may by his example be moved to do something also. He has offered a prize to be competed for by one pupil from each of the ten or eleven public schools in Esquimalt district. The prize is to be competed for annually by the schools, and though it is not yet decided what form it shall take, it will be something that the school winning it may be proud of, and will for the year it is won be in the possession of the school whose star pupil is the successful competitor in composition and recitation, the two subjects decided upon. The individual winner each year is also to receive a prize besides the honor of gaining the trophy for the school. The competition is set for Saturday, June 12, at Metchosin public hall, and the keen emulation and spirit of healthy rivalry thus engered among the school should be productive of good results.

A rival of the well remembered Professor Alexander J. McIvor-Tyndall has arisen in this city, in the person of Mr. Lionel A. Wolff, who not long ago discovered to his own intense surprise, as much as to the astonishment of his friends and acquaintances, that he was able to perform all the many wonderful feats of mind-reading with which the long-haired London psychic had been wont to astound his audiences. The simpler tests were first essayed by the amateur exponent of the science of nerve-reading—then all the difficult feats, even to the reading of thoughts without contact, and the reading of an entire sentence by means of a wire—which even Tyndall acknowledges to be the most difficult feat ever performed by any public entertainer—were carried through successfully. So certain is Mr. Wolff of his newly-acquired "tenth sense" that it is quite possible that he may before long adopt it professionally. In the meantime he is losing no opportunity to convince the skeptical; yesterday afternoon he entertained a comparatively large invited audience at Institute hall, being immediately and entirely successful in every test given him.

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Mr. C. J. Marani has been made a commissioner for Matsqui dyking district.

The Sandon Waterworks and Light Co. have made application to divert water from Sandon creek.

J. Auld Wilson leaves by the Nanaimo train this morning and will be absent from town for a few days.

Silas Shea, who has the disadvantage of a bad reputation as a purveyor of bad whiskey, was in the police court yesterday for the old offence. He got two months.

The annual spring meeting of the Victoria Golf Club opens to-day at the Oak Bay links. The entries are more numerous than in any previous year and include numerous golfers from "over the Sound."

Harry Jensen redeemed his promises by pleading guilty to both charges of theft preferred against him, when arraigned in the Speedy Trials court yesterday. A sentence of 18 months was imposed.

The E. & N. railway will run morning and afternoon passenger trains on Good Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Easter Monday. Round trip tickets for a single fare good from Friday to Monday inclusive. x

The incorporation of the city of Grand Forks is announced in yesterday's Gazette, and the first meeting of the council that is to be, is fixed for "the first Saturday after the date of election at the school house at 12 noon."

The lecture for the benefit of the South Park school library fund by Mr. J. W. Laing has been postponed until the evening of Friday, the 23rd instant. The lecture is admirably illustrated, and will deal with "The Land of the Pharohs—Egypt and the Egyptians."

There were a good number of excursionists aboard the Rainbow leaving for the islands of the Gulf last evening. On this trip the steamer continues her voyage to Loughboro Inlet, but will be back on Monday as usual. Those getting off at Texada will have the privilege of a 24-hour stay over.

Robert Dudgeon of the Germania announces a novel bicycle competition as a holiday attraction for this evening. He offers a pair of handsome mounted horns for the cyclist riding the straightest line. No entrance fee is asked and entries are receivable until noon, the contest taking place in the evening.

The First battalion, under command of Lt.-Col. Gregory, will parade in drill order at the drill hall this morning at 10 o'clock for the annual Good Friday manoeuvers. After marching to Macauley Point, the fort will be manned and some instruction received from the staff of the R. M. A. During the afternoon skirmishing drill and attack and defence will be practiced.

Unusually strong special features have been arranged by bandmaster J. M. Finn for to-morrow evening's promenade concert at the drill hall. The "extras," in addition to the selections of band music, will include vocal solos by Mr. and Mrs. Clement Rowlands, whose last public appearance in Victoria this will be. Many have expressed a wish to hear Mr. Rowlands in a building large enough to display to fullest advantage the volume of his magnificent voice, and this opportunity will be well afforded in the drill hall. His selections are also admirably chosen to please, and will include the duet with Mrs. Rowlands, "Our Cup of Bliss," the finale from Dr. Parry's opera of "The White Rose," that was the conspicuous hit of last Wednesday evening's concert at Institute hall. The singing of Mr. and Mrs. Rowlands is in addition to the extra announced last week—Mr. Walter North in cornet solos.

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SPRINGTIME SPORTS.

Hockey, Golf and Cycle Racing Special Attractions for Good Friday.

The Rangers Retire From the Championship Race—Blackbirds to Be Broken.

Fixtures for to-day:

Golf—Spring meeting of the V.G.C. at the Oak Bay links.

Hockey—Vancouver vs. Victoria, at the Terminal City.

Cycling—Two and ten mile races at Beacon Hill park.

The Gun—Opening shoots of both the Capital and Victoria gun clubs.

Football—Victoria College vs. Cowichan, on the grounds of the latter at Duncan.

And Fishing—Everywhere.

THE WHEEL.

OPENING THE SEASON.

There seems to be an unwritten law in Victoria that spring-time sports will commence in earnest on Good Friday—with road races at Beacon Hill. To-day sees the custom religiously adhered to, a two mile event being set for 3 o'clock sharp under the sanction of the C.R.C., and a ten mile grind to follow half an hour later. The track has been sprinkled and rolled until it is in admirable condition for speedy work—all that remains for the assurance of good races is a continuation of the pleasant weather of the past few days and a clear track. The crowding in on the racers by men, women, little children, and dogs, both great and small, has been the hoodoo of racing at the Hill in recent years; it is to be hoped that it will not interfere with to-day's promising sport. Seven riders have entered for the double event —E. A. Wolff, W. F. Penwill, F. E. Alley, F. Humber, R. J. Russell, P. R. Daniels and D. C. Isbester—and with such a field it is not easy to pick winners. The races will be officered by: C. H. Gibbons, referee; H. Wille, starter; F. C. Holden, Thomas Deasy and E. W. Bradley, judges; Justin Gilbert, scorer; and C. Wenger, timer.

YACHTING.

THE "NORA" PAYS A VISIT.

The flagship of the Elliot Bay Yacht club, the pretty and popular Nora, is paying Victoria a visit, having sailed over from Seattle yesterday in delightful weather and with a perfect breeze. Vice-Admiral Henry Hensall is in command, and the object of his call is mainly to confer with Admiral G. A. Kirk, Vice-Commodore C. A. Godson and the officers of the local club in regard to matters pertaining to the annual meeting and regatta of the Northwest Association of Yachtsmen, which is to be held this year at Bellingham Bay. The Nora is well known to every Victorian who knows a yacht from a washtub, having for years past been a participant in each Queen's Birthday celebration in this city. Her present stay will be limited to a few days.

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JUST A WORD OR TWO IN GENERAL.

Both the police and the fire department are excited, and all over an advertisement which a gentleman signing himself Prof. S. J. McMillan published in yesterday's Colonist. In this announcement he modestly proclaims himself Sandon's rival, and states his ability to drive six inch spikes, with his fist for a hammer, besides many other wonderful things. The one that has excited the civic departments named is an offer to pull any six men who may chose to come out against him. This the police insist must be proven, and they are anxious to wager numerous and sundry good doubloons that the professor is mistaken as to his own ability. In fact they are so convinced that the second Sandow is using his hat for a megaphone that they have authorized the sporting editor of the Colonist to make a match for any amount for them, to pull the modern Sampson with not six but three men.

FOOTBALL.

THE RANGERS RESIGN.

After their last Saturday defeat at the hands of the Wanderers, the Nanaimo Rangers have apparently decided to keep no more engagements in the championship schedule. Their match with the Garrison Athletics, which should have been played to-morrow, has been scratched, and the soldiers will be "open for invitations" for the day.

VICTORIA COLLEGE V. COWICHAN.

The strong football team of Cowichan will to-day have opportunity to demonstrate their skill in a match with the picked men of Victoria College, the following representatives of the latter journeying to Duncan to give them a game: B. Le Nevue, goal; W. Glaholm and H. R. Goward, backs; R. Harris, H. Lawson and T. Patton, half backs; J. Lawson, J. R. Fell, G. Wilson, H. Wilson and D. Hunter, forward.

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In all of the Episcopalian churches and many of the other denominations special religious exercises will be held to-day, marking the most solemn anniversary in the history of the Christian church. At Christ Church cathedral there will be litany at 8 a.m., a service for children at 9:30, matins and sermon by Rev. Canon Beanlands at 11; from 12 to 3 the service of the three hours, with address by Ven. Archdeacon Scriven, and at 8 p.m. evensong, with selections from Stainer's grand oratorio of "The Crucifixion."

The services as announced last Sunday will be conducted at St. Johns and St. James, while in St. Barnabas there will be altar service at 8, matins at 11, the three hours' devotion, from 12 to 3, with address on the words from the cross; and evensong and address by Rev. J. B. Haslam at 7:30 p.m. Rev. W. D. Barber, of the Church of the Holy Saviour, announces litany at 8 a.m. and morning prayer and sermon three hours later. In the Reformed Episcopal church, Bishop Cridge will preach at 11, his subject being "What shall we do with Jesus who is called Christ?"

At St. Peter's, Quamichan, the services on Easter Sunday will be as follows: 8:30 a.m., holy communion; 11 a.m., matins and holy communion. The choir list is: Opening hymn (A. & M.) 134; "Jesus Christ is risen to-day"; Proper psalms ii, lvii, cxi; Te Deum, Smart in F; Jubilate, Langdon; anthem, "Christ is risen" (Elvey); Kyrie, Kitchen in A; hymn 135, "The strife is o'er"; offertory hymn 499, "On the resurrection morning."

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FORTY-SIXTH DAY.

THURSDAY, April 15, 1897.

The Speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock.

Prayers were read by the Rev. J. F. Betts

Mr. Booth presented a report of the Private Bille committee, finding the preamble proved of the bill to incorporate the South Kootenay Water Power company, and recommending that the company be granted the further power of treating ores.

Hon. Mr. Eberts presented the annual report of the registrar of births, deaths and marriages.

When the adjourned debate on the Loan bill was called,

Mr. Sword, in explanation, said he wished to correct a statement in the COLONIST. He did not say, as reported, that he would consider it necessary to consult his constituents before voting for the Coast-Kootenay railway; what he did say was that he was fully in accord with his constituents in being opposed to the British Pacific, and even if he changed his views on that matter, he could not support a bonus to the British Pacific or any part of it without their authority.

Mr. Williams saw in the bill the influence of the senior member for Victoria. The original bill as brought down by the government might better have been called the Rithet and Heinze Aid bill instead of the loan bill. It was highly to be regretted that the British Pacific (Bute Inlet and Quesnelle road) had been introduced into the measure. The government had been urged by many resolutions and deputations to help the Coast line, but not a single deputation had waited on the government to ask aid for the Bute Inlet and Quesnelle road, and neither had any resolutions in its favor been passed. As to the line to Penticton, he saw the necessity for that, but he thought the time was opportune for the government to try and itself build such a line for the country. If the government would not build the road they must take the responsibility of giving a bonus of $4,000 per mile to a company. The country demanded the road, and his own constituents were very anxious indeed for it to be built. He would vote for the second reading of the bill—hoping to amend it properly in committee—if it were not for the fact that he could not support the granting of money to the British Pacific. That aid being embodied in the bill he could not vote for the second reading.

Mr. Booth, dealing with the remarks of the last speaker against the Bute Inlet and Quesnelle road, said in his opinion it would be a good bargain to get a road into Cariboo for $1,000,000. The land contained in the former grant was of no value just now, but as soon as a railway was run through the value would largely increase. The hon. member for Vancouver (Mr. Williams) might take his own advice to Mr. Rithet and not be so swayed by local considerations. The bill was well safeguarded in the interests of the public. The fact that no money was to be paid until the roads were built was an ample security. As to the cry from the opposition for state ownership of lines, he felt that if it were found to be desirable for the government to undertake the building of railways the proper place to inaugurate such a policy was at Ottawa and not at Victoria, as the Dominion had control of all railways. Moreover so long as the through railways were in the hands of corporations any local lines must submit to such terms as these lines were willing to allow. If the government was to undertake the building of railways he thought that heavy taxation must follow at present. That was to say we now, for a possible benefit in the distant future, would be taxed severely. The present proposal by the government was the best, in his opinion. It was far better than state ownership, and if it secured the building of the proposed lines it would be a very good investment for the province.

Dr. Walkem was fully cognizant of the extreme importance of this matter of opening up the country by railways, and he would support the bill. He took it that the government was actuated by the purest and best methods in bringing this matter down. With regard to two of these roads he was perfectly willing to give his support to them. If the branch between Penticton and Boundary was speedily completed, he believed the necessity for a direct road to Kootenay will disappear. He believed there was more in government control rather than government ownership of roads. He would vote for the bill because he believed the requirements of the province demanded that connection with Kootenay be made. The connection he had spoken of between Penticton and Boundary would, he thought, be built at a near date, but he did not think the coast road would ever be constructed. The senior member for Vancouver had spoken of the four cities as being anxious for the coast road. As far as Nanaimo was concerned, they only wished it built if the government assumed the ownership. He regretted that the government had not placed a sum towards building a road from Nanaimo to Alberni. The mineral wealth there was as great as in any other district in the whole province. He urged that some means should be taken to assist a railway ferry between Nanaimo and Vancouver.

Hon. Col. Baker expressed his sorrow at the poor position in which the opposition found themselves with regard to this bill. They had organized all their forces against the bill, but when they discovered the tactical movement of the government in bringing in an amendment to the bill, they beat a hasty retreat, and got behind the insecure fortress of the government ownership of railways. Before this was done they, in their attempts to find something to say against the government, diverged off into a variety of subjects. It was left for the hon. member for Delta (Mr. Forster) to state what he asserted was the policy of the opposition. He stated boldly enough that state ownership was that policy. Some of the members of the opposition, including even so important a member as the hon. gentleman from Vancouver (Mr. Williams), were weak-kneed on this subject, however. He did not doubt that a good deal might be said from some points of view for the state ownership of railways under certain conditions, but those conditions did not apply to British Columbia at the present time. The hon. member for Delta (Mr. Forster) had quoted the case of Australasia and said that 1 per cent. was the annual loss sustained by the state railways in the colonies of Australia. He omitted to state the losses they had sustained for many years until they were placed under a commission. These losses amounted to an enormous sum. The hon. member had put down the loss on the Intercolonial to bad management. The province might have the bad management if the opposition got into power. (Laughter.) The amendment which the leader of the opposition wished to make recommended that a survey of the country between Hope and Penticton should be made to see if there was an available route, and if so that we should build the line between the Coast and Boundary as a public work. The opinion of all the opposition was included in that amendment, and yet we had the senior member for Vancouver and the hon. member for Delta assuring the house that they knew there was a route through the mountains. Here, as before, the opposition were at variance. Supposing they were to carry out the policy of the opposition and build the line from the Coast to Boundary as a government work, they would have to borrow six or seven million dollars, putting down the cost of the line at $30,000 per mile. That sum would have to be borrowed at 3 per cent. with 1 per cent. sinking fund, which would give an expenditure for this one road of about $280,000 per annum out of a revenue of one and one-quarter millions. There could be no doubt that the policy as it stood was the best one. The government wanted to have a progressive railway policy, not a policy of timidity. There was a demand, almost an agitation, for what might be called two great trunk lines—the one from Bute Inlet to Quesnelle and the Coast-Kootenay line. The first named line would run not alone through a rich mineral country, but through a splendid dairying country. The government knew by the experience of the rapid development of Kootenay that the introduction of railways would benefit a country where minerals were known to be. Kootenay owed much of its rapid rise to its opening up by railroads, and that result had assisted the government in introducing this bill. Hon. gentlemen opposite admitted that it was the duty of the government to step in and take their fair share of the expenditure in opening up the country by means of railway communication to the sources of wealth—the mining centres. It was unnecessary therefore to discuss that point. He also took it from the speeches of the opposition that they agreed that the Dominion government should assist in the ratio of 2 to 1. The government felt that if any railway obtained $4,000 per mile from them the Dominion should pay $8,000, making $12,000 in all. There would then be no difficulty whatever in getting the balance of the money that might be required to build the roads. He thought that was a business proposition. The Bute Inlet and the Coast-Kootenay lines would reach in all 560 miles, would cost the country $2,240,000 on an annual expenditure of less than $80,000 for 50 years, and from our present experience the country would be more than repaid that by the benefit received. The second trunk line he had mentioned had been divided into two sections, one from the Coast to Penticton and the other from Penticton to Boundary. Anybody could take up both of those sections. The government had safeguarded the rights of the people by saying they would not grant the subsidies until the roads were built and by retaining control over the rates. Until the lines were built they did not incur one single cent of responsibility and when they were built, they obtained railways in the cheapest possible form. He might say that the government's policy had been a statesmanlike policy, and one that was framed with due regard to the interests of the public. The policy was a thorough and a practical one. They had the word of the Prime Minister of Canada that his government would not assist any state owned railway. That stopped the policy of government railways in this province. If hon. members opposite continued to oppose this bill the Dominion might seek that excuse to escape from the responsibility of aiding the railways. If that happened, the opposition must take the blame; they must stand before the people as having obstructed measures which would enable the country to be opened up. He left the responsibility on their shoulders, but hoped they would make another change of front and cordially support the bill. (Cheers.)

Major Mutter thought the policy of the opposition, which they so proudly claimed to have discovered, was first mooted in his own district of Cowichan.

Mr. Semlin—Don't go back on it.

Major Mutter said he was in favor of government ownership wherever possible, but here in British Columbia the contour of the country was entirely different to that of Australia and New Zealand, and there were difficulties here that they had not to contend against in those colonies. To a certain extent the government would control these proposed lines. Another point in regard to state railways was that we did not own the customs. That was a most important fact to be remembered. He would support the bill before the house.

Mr. Kennedy opposed the bill because of the aid to the "British Pacific." The other sections he supported. He favored government ownership but was willing to take the next best thing if they could not get that. The proposed assistance to the Bute Inlet line was the entering wedge to the British Pacific. The Premier had said that anyone who voted against the bill would lay himself open to condemnation. He was willing to risk that while the bill included the British Pacific. He did not see why the government should not own railways just as municipalities owned waterworks and street railways and such like works.

Mr. D. Graham objected to the bill because Mr. Heinze might get the construction of the line between Penticton and Boundary. He was willing to admit that good would result from the construction of that line. He was strongly in favor of the state building the railways. He would vote againt the measure.

Hon. Mr. Pooley remarked that he had not heard one word from the opposition which in his opinion would carry any weight in the country against the government. On the subject of government control of railways he remarked: "The member for Delta proposed that the government should build the railways themselves, which proposition was supported by certain members in the opposition, surely these hon. members have not fully considered the matter. If the government undertook to build the railways mentioned in the bill, it would necessitate their going to the money market to borrow a sum of sixteen millions eight hundred thousand dollars, which sum would impose a charge of $672,000 annually for some forty-nine years upon the revenues of the province. What does the bill brought down by the government propose? It will secure the expenditure of this enormous sum of money upon the railways in this province at the exceedingly small charge upon the revenues of the province of $78,000 per annum. The hon. member for Delta brought forward as an argument in favor of the government building the railways that the Australian government have built their own railways, and though they had lost enormous sums of money upon them for several years, they had for some few years past adopted the system of placing the control of the railways in the hands of commissioners, and that they were now losing in working expenses 1 per cent. This province would have to pass through the transition state and lose a large sum of money, but allowing that the loss in working expenses was only 1 per cent., it would entail a further charge upon the revenue of $180,000 per annum. The government working these roads would be in a very different position from a private company, as all parties using the line, whether miners, merchants or farmers, would bring pressure to bear on the government to carry their produce etc. at such a rate that the government, or, more correctly speaking, the taxpayers of the province, would be called to pay up the full amount of interest and sinking fund to the full extent, and would probably in addition suffer a very serious loss in working the road. If the opposition were well advised they would turn round and say this was a good bill and vote for it. The developments now going on in the country were such as to justify the expenditure of $78,000 per year on such important works as these. (Cheers.)

Mr. Rogers confined his remarks principally to the Bute Inlet and Quesnelle bonus. He noticed that the opposition had accused hon. members on the government side of selfishness. There was no selfishness among those who supported the bill; the selfishness lay rather with those who spoke against a railway into Cariboo. It had been said that the railway would go from nowhere to nowhere. On the contrary it started at the Pacific coast, where connection could be had with the whole world, to the great Cariboo district, which was one of the most important regions in the whole province. Even without a railway men of wealth were seeking to open up and develop the Cariboo region, what a great deal more could be done with the proposed line from Bute Inlet! Taking into consideration the great benefits that must result to Cariboo and to the whole country by the railway bill he would give his earnest support to the measure.

Mr. Macpherson spoke in favor of state railways. He condemned the action of the government as diabolical and mean.

Mr. Speaker said the language was unparliamentary. The hon. gentleman could think that, or he could speak it, outside the house, but not inside of it. (Laughter.)

Mr. Macpherson then read a telegram received by Mr. Kennedy, in which it was stated that the Premier had telegraphed to the mayor of New Westminster as follows: "Telegram been sent by Premier saying, 'Opposition members opposing bill providing subsidy Coast to Penticton. There is no British Pacific in this. They required $240,000 annually, this is only about $80,000. Opposition action will tend to prevent Dominion subsidy. Instruct members before 3 o'clock Thursday.'" Such a telegram, said Mr. Macpherson, was a mean one. He had told his constituents his views on this matter before he was elected, and if their views had changed that was no reason why his views should be changed. (A voice, "Yes, it is.") He said no, and he would not change his views but would oppose the bill.

Hon. Mr. Turner said: "Mr. Speaker, I rise in explanation of the telegram read by the hon. member. It was my duty, sir, to send those telegrams to the parties who received them for this reason: The mayors of Vancouver and New Westminster and representatives of the boards of trade of both cities waited on the government the other day and urged a certain course with regard to these railways. I promised them I would answer within a certain time. Then I saw in the house yesterday that there was a determination on the part of the opposition to twist the government bill and represent that it was one for the British Pacific, which it was not, and I telegraphed to those gentlemen that the British Pacific scheme was one requiring $240,000 a year and that the bill before the house, which included the line from the Coast to Kootenay would only entail, if put through complete, an expenditure of $78,000 a year. If this is the same proposition that was before the house last year, I cannot see it. I simply put the facts exactly before them. They had the original bill before them when here and it was my duty to telegraph to them according to their request. I have had some answers. I have one from New Westminster signed F. R. Glover, secretary, as follows: "Following resolution was passed this afternoon at meeting of citizens—'That this meeting request Mr. Kennedy to support the amended railway aid bill as brought down by the Premier, only objecting to car ferry stipulation until car ferry is warranted by business, and asking change of words "English Bluff" to English Bluff or navigable harbor in vicinity.'" I have also had one from Chilliwack as follows: "Chilliwack strongly favors government subsidy for direct line Vancouver and Coast to Penticton to connect with lines to Kootenay. Markets must be secured. (Signed) S. A. Cawley and twenty-three others." I have also received the following from Vancouver: "Resolution passed board of trade and city council requesting three city representatives support amended railway aid bill. Feeling here unanimous favor of bill as amended. (Signed) J. C. McLagan."

Mr. Sword, who claimed to represent Chilliwack in consequence of Mr. Kitchen's death, said he did not believe the telegram from Chilliwack represented the feeling of the people of the riding who understood the true inward meaning of the bill. He did not care how many telegrams were received from parties there.

Mr. Forster—I don't see why I had had no telegram. (Laughter.)

Mr. Kennedy said the Premier yesterday mentioned the British Pacific in this connection. In spite of telegrams, he would vote against the bill.

Hon. Premier Turner—The hon. gentleman in his excitement has not kept to the truth. I never mentioned the British Pacific; the words never passed my lips. I said eventually the line into Cariboo might be a portion of a transcontinental line. (Cheers.) That is what I said, and you are quite aware that it is perfectly true.

This incident ended, the Speaker called 6 o'clock.

After Recess.

Mr. Cotton resumed the debate on the railway bill. He said he had received a telegram from the Mainland practically the same as the one read by Mr. Macpherson. He thought that telegram required him to say something. He gave a most emphatic denial to the statement that the opposition now or at any time had been opposed to grant liberal subsidies to railways to open up the province. He challenged any hon. member to quote from the speeches of the opposition in contradiction to that. The position they took was, he admitted, in opposition to the government, but their real grievance was that while they were in earnest on this matter the government was not. ("Oh!") The opposition took the stand that the time had come when it was necessary to the interests of the province to subsidize railways. So far there was no difference in views between the government and the opposition, but when they came to the manner in which the money was to be expended, they found an essential difference. The bill contained a policy, but was merely an attempt to pay out so much money indiscriminately. The opposition thought they ought to strike out a line for the province, which would give the railways and also enable the province not only to retain some control over the lines, but also to participate in the direct prosperity which the lines might secure. Dealing with the line from Bute Inlet to Quesnelle, he pointed out that Mr. Rithet yesterday travelled all over the country in his speech, but said "not one word about the British Pacific." He believed the best way to get into Cariboo was not from the coast at Bute Inlet, but from some point on the C. P. R. As to the declaration that there was no British Pacific in the bill, he declared that if there had been no British Pacific in it there would not have been anything about a Bute Inlet and Quesnelle route. Turning to the rest of the bill, he said the two lines mentioned were really two pieces of one line from Boundary to the Coast. He admitted that that, though the road might be a very important one in opening up and developing the country and the commerce of British Columbia. He looked upon the road from Penticton to Boundary as the most important piece of railway that could be built at the present time. If that short piece was built Boundary Creek would have a line of communication all rail, except on the Okanagan lake, with the C. P. R., and thence with the Coast cities and also Eastern Canada. The opposition held very strongly that that line must be built at once. If this piece of railway was owned by the government in some way they would be able to make better terms than an individual company in regard to traffic rates. If the province found money for railways it should retain an interest in them equivalent to the bonus. He did not want Mr. Heinze or anybody else to get hold of the road between Boundary and Penticton, as it was the key to the position. The government, he reiterated, should build the road.

Hon. Mr. Eberts said that this was one of the most important measures, if not the most important measure, that had been brought up for many years. Members of the house had been agitated over the style of aiding railways adopted in different times and they they had often been perplexed as to what was the best course to be adopted. The government had attempted now to remove these perplexities. Before dealing direct with the bill he referred to aid bills already passed, and speaking particularly of the aid to the Shuswap and Okanagan Railway, which members of the opposition had so adversely criticized, he firmly believed that the province of British Columbia had indirectly benefited in no small degree by the guarantee to the railway. Indeed, he claimed that the province had been compensated to the extent of 100 per cent. for the money they had to pay out for the endorsation of the bonds. The country through which the railway ran was 14 years ago sparsely populated, to-day it was a smiling valley The proposition to help the Shuswap and Okanagan was still, in his idea, a first-class one. The public accounts might show that the province was $35,000 behind on that line, but taking into consideration the benefit which the line had been to the province, he thought it would be allowed that we were $300,000 or $400,000 to the good. He firmly believed also, in regard to the Nakusp & Slocan, that the province would never be called upon to pay a cent, while the Kaslo & Slocan line had opened up a magnificent mineral region. Passing to the present bill, he noted the objections to the Bute Inlet & Quesnelle road and the suggestion that the line into Cariboo should run from a point on the C. P. R. He could not see the advantage of that. Hon. members of the other side talked much about that being the best way of getting freight into the country. He submitted that that was a fallacious reasoning. The railway was not to be built for the taking of freight into Cariboo, it was for taking freight out of Cariboo. (Cheers.) The intention of the government was to help the building of a railway in order to bring the mineral of Cariboo into a ready market. Just imagine the state of affairs if that mineral was brought only to say Ashcroft. It was still a long distance from the Coast, and it was absurd to argue that it would be in as good a position at Ashcroft as at Bute Inlet. The minerals had to be smelted, and if taken only to Ashcroft they would have to be sent on to Vancouver or some other point, while if taken to Bute Inlet they would be at a place from which smelters were easily accessible. They all knew perfectly well that there was talk of bringing Kootenay ore down to the coast even now, and there was hope of a smelter being built at Vancouver. He had every reason to believe that this latter would shortly be erected, and he hoped it would. Passing to the line from the Coast to Penticton, he submitted that the government's proposition was a good business one. They knew perfectly well that the government was alive to the fact that the Boundary Creek country must be opened as expeditiously as possible. The American lines were pressing towards that point, and in order to keep the trade of that important section of the country in British Columbia, the government were desirous of encouraging the building of a line of railway from Penticton to Boundary. It was with the object alone of benefitting the country that the government wished to pass this loan bill, and they specially desired to see this Penticton and Boundary road built quickly and expeditiously, if possible within two years. Ever since the bill was introduced the hon. gentlemen opposite had made trouble. First they did not want to discuss the bill at all, and then they raised the government ownership cry. They knew perfectly well that that proposition was one that they would not go before the country on, and they knew that it was not feasible. Many of them had lived in the Eastern provinces and knew that that policy was not feasible there. The proposition had not obtained in England or the United States, or any other part of Canada. It had obtained in Cape Colony, where they started upon that proposition; but in a province like this, where we had large railways now being carried on successfully, he submitted that no government could possibly entertain such a proposal as state ownership. (Hear, hear.) The province could not finance 560 miles of railway that would cost over $16,000,000. He was satisfied that hon. gentlemen who were opposed to them with reference to this bill could never go before the people of British Columbia and induce the people of British Columbia and say that the government was in a position to go to the financial centres and borrow $16,000,000 to invest in railways. They were going to do their best under the circumstances in the best interests of British Columbia. They had thought long, sincerely and earnestly on this subject and were desirous and hoped that the building of these lines with the subsidies from the government would be to the great advantage of British Columbia. He thought the proposition as laid down in the bill

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NOTICES.

In the Matter of the Land Registry Act.

And in the Matter of the Title to Lot 994, in the City of Victoria.

Notice is hereby given that Gustav Sutro will be registered as the owner in fee of the above mentioned lot at the expiration of three calendar months from this date if no objection be made to the contrary within that time by some person claiming title to the same.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General of Titles.

Land Registry Office, Victoria,
January 19th, 1897. ja19

NOTICE.

Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax.

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt Electoral Districts, North Saanich, Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, Coast and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, with parts of Barclay and Clayoquot Districts assessed by me, are payable at my office.

Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz:—

Four-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

Three quarters of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely: Upon such excess when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-quarters of one per cent.

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Two and one-half per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

Provincial Revenue Tax, $3.00 per capita (residents of Victoria City excepted.)

CORNELIUS BOOTH,
Assessor and Collector.

January 2nd 1897. ja12

COURTS of Assize and Nisi Prius, and of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery, will be holden at the places and on the dates following, viz:—

City of Nelson, on Monday, the 21st day of June, 1897.

Town of Donald, on Monday, the 28th day of June, 1897.

By Command,
JAMES BAKER,
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
23rd March, 1897. mr26

NOTICE.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Reservation placed on Crown Lands, situated at Frederick Arm, notice of which was published in the British Columbia Gazette, and dated 1st November, 1895, is rescinded, in so far as, but no further than, it relates to a certain parcel of unsurveyed land which may be approximately described as follows:—Commencing at a point on the shore of the north end of Frederick Arm, situated about half a mile west of the entrance to Estero Basin: thence north 40 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 40 chains, more or less, to the shore line, and thence east, following the shore to the place of commencement containing 160 acres, more or less.

GEO. B. MARTIN,
Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.

Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 7th April, 1897. ap9

"Land Registry Act."

In the matter of the application of Maurice Humber, of the City of Victoria, for a certificate of indefeasible title to subdivisions five (5), ten (10) and eleven (11), Topaze avenue, Victoria city, being part of section five (5), Victoria district, (Map 5), and to lots one (1), two (2) and three (3), block T, of the Work Estate, being part of section four (4), Victoria District.

Notice is hereby given that a certificate of indefeasible title to the above lands, will be issued to Maurice Humber on the 10th day of July, 1897, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest therein, or in some part thereof

"S. Y. WOOTTON,"
Registrar General.

Land Registry Office,
Victoria, B. C., March 31, 1897. ap1

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its present sitting, for a private bill to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining, and operating a railway from a point on the south boundary line of British Columbia, between the 134th and 136th degrees of longitude, at the head of Lynn Canal, and thence northerly and westerly by the most feasible route to the north boundary line of British Columbia; with power to construct, maintain and operate branch lines, and all necessary bridges, ferries and wharves, and to construct, own and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to build, own and operate steam and other vessels, to take and use water for generating electricity and other purposes, and to acquire foreshore rights and lands for the right of way, station grounds and other necessities, and to acquire lands and other bonuses or aids from the governments of Canada and British Columbia, or from any municipality, corporation or person, to aid in the construction of the said railway, and make traffic and other arrangements with other railway companies or persons, and for all other usual and necessary powers and privileges; and also, for power to levy a royalty on all precious metals passing outwards over the said road when constructed.

Dated at the city of Victoria, British Columbia, this 9th day of March, 1897.

E. E. BILLINGHURST,
Agent for the Applicants.

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The Old Mule's One Experience at Sledding Was All He Wanted.

One day last winter when the snow was hard the boys in our part of the town had a fine time coasting down a long hill. For a change they decided to capture Ned and make him draw them through the streets.

Ned was an old donkey owned by no one. He lived by picking up what stray bits he could find on the streets and sheltered himself in an old shed. After some hunting they found him taking his lunch from an ash barrel. They let him eat what he wanted so that he might be as good natured as possible. One boy ran home and brought some pieces of old rope. Then they made a rough kind of harness.

Ned was kind enough to stand still while they harnessed him. Then they fastened their sleds together, with Joe Brown's in front, for he was to drive.

Joe took up his cord reins and gave the word to Ned to "get up." The donkey only turned and looked back at the dozen or more sleds to which he was tied. I think he decided that the load was too much for him. Joe used a switch on him, but he hung his head and stood quite still. After waiting some time the boys grew tired and began to untie their sleds. Ned looked back and then made a sudden start. He trotted down the road at such a rate that the boys had quite a chase to get on.

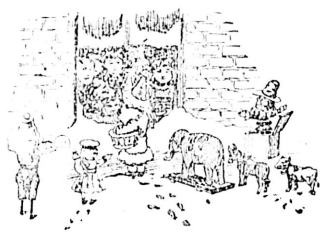
Ned found it easier than he expected, or else he wanted to make up for lost time, for he drew them up one street and down another for a half hour. Then he began to slacken his pace, but Joe urged him on with his switch. Poor Ned thought there was to be no end to his task. An idea seemed to strike him suddenly, for he rushed down the street at a great rate.

On one side of the street was a deep ditch. When Ned came to it, he leaped across it, dragging the sleds at such an angle in such a way that they all tipped over, leaving the boys in the ditch.

Ned then started on with the empty sleds, making straight for his old shed. The boys found him there eating a whisp of straw. They took his harness off and hung it up in the shed. But that was the first and last time they used it, for Ned would never let them put it on again. To this day, if any one goes near him with a piece of rope, he will take to his heels.—Our Little Ones.

The Tardy Santa Claus.

I am a little Santa Claus
Who somehow got belated;
My reindeer didn't come in time,
And so, of course I waited.
I found your chimneys plastered tight,
Your stockings put away,



I heard you talking of the gifts
You had on Christmas day.
So with you please to take me in
And keep me till November?
I'd rather start Thanksgiving day
Than miss you next December!
—Kate D. Wiggins in St. Nicholas.

A Lesson In Patience.

One of the happiest little boys I ever saw is a cripple and will never walk. His lower limbs are paralyzed, and the little fellow is wheeled round in a chair made for his especial use. When I saw him, I thought how awful it must be for a year old boy not to be able to run and play like other children, and, without thinking, I asked: "Isn't it lovely here? Don't you wish you could run and jump?"

"Yes," said the little fellow. "I might like it, but I'm happy where I am, and perhaps I'd get hurt. Little boys do."

Then I felt rebuked, and the little boy, whistling and singing in his chair, playing with whatever is given to him, the minutes of the hours by which the days are told, like sunbeams, lighting and gladdening life's pathway, has been a lesson to me ever since I first saw him. —Washington Star.

New Kind of Spelling Bee.

A new kind of spelling bee is what the following game is called: One of the company begins the game by naming a letter of the alphabet, and the next must name another, which in connection with the first will help to make a word, but which will not complete it. The next adds another letter, and so on, each aiming to put in a letter which will not finish a word.

This goes on until some one inadvertently completes it. Then the unlucky one is compelled to pay a forfeit. To illustrate: The leader begins with i. The next adds n, the next a, another g, and the next, instead of adding e and completing the word, says i. The following one gives n, and the next, by a happy thought, does not give o, but says a, and then follow t, i, o and n, when the word has been completed, in spite of all.

Slight Mistake.

Ethel had formed the very unbecoming habit of saying "H'm?" when she did not quite understand, and her aunt had been teaching her to say "Beg pardon?" instead.

The following day she was overheard talking with some of her little playmates.

"My auntie says you mustn't say 'H'm?'" she explained. "You must say 'Baking powder.'" — Youth's Companion.

ABOUT FACING THINGS.

"You must pluck up heart and face things." That's what our friends tell us when we are in trouble and they are not. Oh, yes. Talk is cheap, and there's a deal too much of it—from some people. If ever one of them finds himself clinging to a plank in mid-ocean—which, heaven forbid—he won't deliver himself so cheerfully about "facing things."

"*What the end would be I do not care to think,*" says a lady in her letter. No wonder. In her place you wouldn't have dared to do it either. Here's her story.—

"When I was quite a young girl," she says, "I was subject to frequent attacks of sick headache and heaving retching after meals However, I got along fairly well up to the autumn of 1884, when I broke down altogether. My skin was sallow, and I had a foul taste in the mouth, and no appetite or relish for food of any kind. After eating the least morsel I had an aching and a sense of pain, weight and oppression at the chest with a strange feeling of constriction or tightness around the sides.

"Besides these things there was much pain between and under the shoulder blades and the pain and weight at the back of my neck was so intense that I could not hold my head up. Then my breathing became so short and difficult that at night I was not able to lie down in my bed. It seemed to me as if I must suffocate.

"Night after night I paced the floor all night long, anxious for daylight. I wanted to be moving about the house, as though to escape from myself. I had no rest night or day only getting an occasional doze in the arm chair by the fire. Yet I was so weak I could barely stir, *and what the end would be I did not dare to think.*

"I took all kinds of medicine, and consulted two doctors, but was little or none the better for anything they done for me. The second doctor said my trouble all arose from indigestion and the liver, and now I think he was right; yet even a correct opinion does not cure a disease.

"For over two years I suffered agonies, and feared I should never be well again. In December, 1896 my husband heard that wonderful cures had been brought about throughout the country by Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup. Then he got me a bottle from Mr. Ward, chemist at Leicester, and I began taking it, although (I must confess to you) without a particle of faith in it. Yet, behold in less than a fortnight I was quite a new woman, being free from pain, and able to eat and digest nourishing food. This was so surprising that I kept on taking the Syrup, and after I had used three bottles I was in better health than I had been for years. Since then I have grown strong and am now in the best of health. You are welcome to publish these facts, and I will gladly answer inquiries. (Signed) Eliza Farmer, the Common, Barwell, near Hinckley, Leicestershire, November 6th, 1891."

This case is widely known in the district, and has caused much comment. Mr. J. Green draper and grocer, Chapel street, Barwell, has known Mrs. Farmer for years, and vouches for the truth and accuracy of her statement as here printed. The doctor was right as to her complaint—chronic dyspepsia, with resulting torpid liver—but unhappily he did not resort to the onlh remedy which actually *cures* this common and deplorable disease—Mother Seigel's Syrup. Most fortunately, however, the lady's husband heard of it in time, and like a wise man, procured it at once.

As to that time when Mrs. Farmer dared not think what the end might be. Well, we won't talk of it now. She didn't reach it, thanks to Providence and the medicine she names.

What Shopping In Paris Teaches.

A correspondent writes: "Shopping in Paris teaches us many things, and among others the new uses to which are put familiar substances. A fashionable trimming for ladies' black capes is now a gelatin lozenge. The 'sequin,' as it is called, is a thin, small pastel, dyed black and having the effect of jet. Each sequin is sewed on separately, and with each garment the purchaser does well to buy a box of the ornaments, as they are liable to drop off. Fortunately for the wearer of gelatin trimming, rain, at least in our hemisphere, does not descend warm; otherwise the decorative art of a mantle would dissolve in a shower. In cold water the new substitute for jet loses neither substance nor color. Cheapness and lightness are the advantages of this edible haberdashery."—London News.

The Fashionable Magpie Contrast.

The magpie contrast, which is the name given to the effect when black and white are brought together, is well displayed in a bonnet intended for evening wear at concert or opera during the season. The small, rather low crown is of white satin felt, the tiny strips being braided in basket fashion. The narrow brim is of softly twisted black velvet cut out at the back so that the hair shows below, while there are falling over it two of the long, horslike shaped rosettes so much fancied, daintily made of fine duchess lace. A narrow twist of white satin is just above the velvet at the edge of the crown, and on one side there stands up a 10 inch white pompon, while on the other is a star shaped buckle of rhinestones. Velvet ties come with this bonnet.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Not New at All.

It would appear from the recent writings of a well informed woman on women's clubs that the new woman is not new at all, but decidedly old, dating back to 400 years before the Christian era, when famous Grecian women held original opinions concerning the sun and moon and made studies on the whole solar system. From that time to this the writer mentions the numerous women who have forced the world to acknowledge their superiority, so it would seem that "new woman" is a misnomer.

Weed Killing by Electricity.

Electricity may soon tackle thistle and jimson weed. Professor Woodworth of the Michigan Agricultural college announces that electricity is quite as cheap as salt for the killing off of weeds in the long run, as it is much more effective, destroying the plant to the root. He purposes to experiment on the most noxious weeds by taking a wheelbarrow or wagon supplied with a storage battery to the land to be cleared and let the hanging wires drag along the ground. He insists on the practicability of removing Canada and Russian thistles from farms in this way.—St. Louis Midcontinent.

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THE TOWN OF GRAND FORKS Has sprung into existence within the last year; early in the spring the place consisted of a few houses. Owing to the rapid opening of the Mines and the travel and traffic consequent on between 4,000 and 6,000 claims having been located, there are now estimated to be over 200 houses and 500 people residing in the town. The principal buildings consist of a three-story and several two-story Hotels, General Stores, Butchers, Bakers, Post Office, The Grand Forks Miner Newspaper Office, Brewery, Assembly Rooms, &c., &c., and all the usual Dry Goods, Millinery, Furniture and other businesses, which with several fine dwellings go to make up a busy town. Surveyors, Lawyers, Assayers, Real Estate Agents, Share and Mine Brokers are now established in business in this place.

AN APPLICATION Is now pending to the Provincial Legislature for an Act of Incorporation, and notices given of two separate Private Bills for Water, Electric Light and Power Companies, also Telephone, Water, etc. All in connection with and to supply the Town of Grand Forks and Suburbs.

LOTS OF 25X120 FEET Are now selling in the Townsite as at present laid out at prices from **$250 to $550.** These lots run about 14 to the acre.

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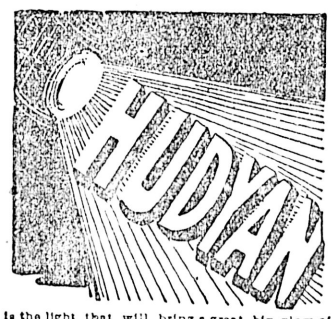

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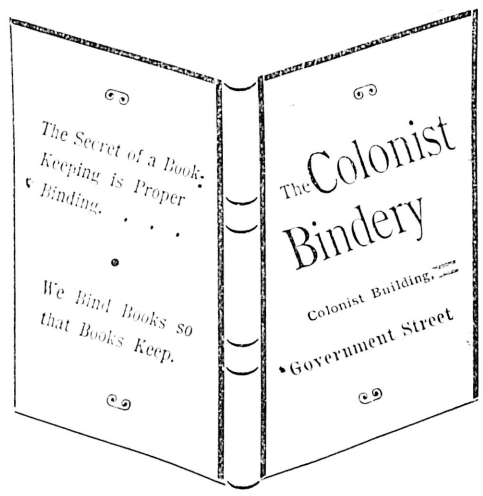

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5 a.m..	42°		
9 a.m..	54°	Highest 71°	5 a.m.—Calm.
1 p.m..	69°		1 p.m.—4 N.E.
5 p.m..	56°	Lowest 42°	9 p.m.—Calm.
9 p.m..	49°		Rain—0.00. Clear. Sunshine—12h.

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Pacific Mining and Construction Co., Tacoma	20,000
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SCHOOL CURRICULUM.

Principals of Public Schools Condemn Reading and Agricultural Text Books—Suggestions.

A Normal School as a Method of Commemorating the Diamond Jubilee.

The curriculum was one of important matters engaging the attention of the board of school trustees at a two and a half hour session last evening. The principals of the different schools were all present, and a report from them on the subject was given as follows:

To the Board of School Trustees:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—At your request, expressed through your legislative committee, that means be devised to check the tendency on the part of the teachers to prepare pupils for examination rather than to educate, and so in this way to raise the standard of the schools in this city, we your principals recommend the following for your consideration:

Whereas with the present system of eight graded schools, it is possible for a pupil to enter the High school at ten years of age (unless there be two sections in each class), thereby endangering the health of the bright pupil, and practically preventing the average pupil from enjoying a High school education;

And whereas some of the text-books at present in use, notable the Readers and the text-book on Agriculture, are not suitable for public schools;

And whereas the idea prevails among teachers that their class-room work is judged by the number of pupils promoted, an idea conveyed to them by resolution of a former trustee board.

Therefore it was resolved that it would be in the best interests of education in this city to reduce the number of grades to six, with yearly promotion examinations, and that we would respectfully advise that your board confer with the trustee boards of other cities in the province with a view to securing a change in the text books at the hands of the council of public school instruction, and that your teachers be notified that their ability is not recognized wholly on the number promoted, but more largely by their real work as in the daily work of their classes.

The principals were a unit in their opinion as conveyed by the report, and some considered that agriculture could be taught as well as at present under the head of geography, and that in respect to yearly examinations their suggestion, if adopted, would be the death of the system of "cramming." Incidentally Trustee McMicking wanted to know if agriculture was a subject intended to expand the mind of the child. If this was the case, he could not conceive how the many other subjects could not be worked to the same purpose. As for the practical advantages of it, he thought that the easiest way of learning it was when the child could put its usefulness into practice. On the explanation of Miss Cameron that the question was to be brought before the Provincial Teachers' Institute, further discussion was deferred until after this month's assembly of that organization.

The teachers, however, had still another topic for the board's consideration. They asked for authority to appoint teachers in charge of primary divisions in school work to assume charge of the principal's work on call of the letter during certain periods of the day. This also evoked free general discussion, but the communication mentioning the matter was eventually tabled. Among other papers also tabled was a communication from Mrs. Kate Soper, asking why her girl is not allowed to attend school; an application of S. Sheppard for a position on the teaching staff; and a letter from Miss Cameron on the rearrangement of the departments in South Park school.

Chairman Hayward reported having received a $100 flag as a present for the Central school on condition that it be presented and accepted by a graduate of the school. The gift was gratefully acknowledged, the board being only too happy to comply with the desired conditions. Following this came another lengthy discussion on the amendment to the school act now before the legislature, but a decision was finally arrived at, after many dire threats of a new election in case of a certain action by the provincial parliamentarians, that the board wait upon the local members and urge them to oppose the legislation in question.

Weiler Bros. tender for the supply of school seats at $4 each was accepted, as also that of J. B. Burgess for the enclosing of the South Park school on condition that the Smead-Dowd ventilating system be not interfered with. To bring the meeting to a close, as it were, Trustee McMicking came forward with a series of resolutions, one touching the proposed improvements in the Central school. He wanted to see something done at least to protect the children's health, but the board, in view of the defeat of the by-law, seemed a little indifferent as a whole. The resolution, however, to see what could be done was left in the hands of the alteration and repairs committee for action.

The same trustee's second resolution was in advocacy of a Normal school in commemoration of the diamond jubilee year. Trustee Yates humorously jumped on the resolution as out of place, and moved an adjournment in view of a meeting being held in the city hall at the same time to discuss such subjects. Though the resolution failed to pass it elicited much interesting discussion. Mrs. Grant supported it on general principles, and while Trustee Belyea was in accord with the spirit of the thing, yet he thought that such an institution should be provincial. Trustee Mrs. Jenkins would favor the erection of a Normal school, inasmuch as through its instrumentality teachers seeking employment, now handicapped through non-experience, would be on equal footing with others who at present are bound to first receive the consideration of the board.

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

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would commend itself to the people of the country. He was satisfied that when the proposition came before the people of the country it would be considered to crystalize all the views of the majority of the people, and he had therefore great pleasure in supporting the second reading. (Loud cheers.)

Mr. Helmcken, after paying a compliment to the opposition in general, and Mr. Cotton in particular, went on to show how Canada owed no small part of her greatness to-day to British Columbia. Taking that as a text, he argued that the railway proposed by this bill would help the Dominion more than the province. The Premier, he claimed next, was entitled to congratulation for bringing in the present bill, and he would no doubt be found to have a majority on the floor of the house when a vote was taken. It was their duty to assist the government in carrying out its railway policy on the basis proposed. While he had no little sympathy for the objects contained in the amendment of Mr. Semlin, which was ruled out of order yesterday, he believed that the wisest and best course for the country to adopt was to take advantage of the opportunity presented by the government for opening up the country by railways. He thought it would redound to the credit of the opposition if they would join forces with the government on this occasion. The government were, he went on, endeavoring, in the way they deemed best, to open up trade avenues in the province, and they were entitled to open up the Northern country as well as the Southern part. In this connection he noted that attacks had been made upon the Bute Inlet and Quesnelle route as being a part of the British Pacific, and he defended the suggested aid to that road. He gave the government credit for the amendment they made in the bill in respect to the Coast-Kootenay line, but considered there was much in that part of the resolution adopted at the last railway meeting in the city hall suggesting, that "in making arrangements with any private company the government so word any charter granted that the road may become the property of the government at a set date in the future if required." He believed some such condition as this should be put in the measure. All hon. members must admit that they were anxious to do all they could for the development of the province and he suggested, therefore, that they should all join hands and unite to make this measure as perfect as possible. (Cheers.).

The second reading of the loan bill was then agreed to by a vote of 17 to 11. Dr. Walkem came in the house too late to vote in favor of the measure. Mr. Kellie voted with the opposition, as will be seen from the division list which follows:

Ayes—Turner, Baker, Eberts, Pooley, Martin, Bryden, Rithet, Adams, Huff, Rogers, Booth, Irving, Braden, Macgregor, Mutter, Helmcken, Hunter—17.

Nays—Semlin, Cotton, Williams, Graham, Kennedy, Forster, Hume, Sword, Kidd, Macpherson, Kellie—11.

An act to amend the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway Subsidy act, 1892, was brought down by message and was read a first time after formalities. The act enacts as follows: The time limited by section 14 of the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway Subsidy act, 1892, for designating and surveying the lands to be granted to the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway company, in pursuance of the said section, is hereby extended for six months after the passage of this act.

Mr. Hume presented a petition from Fort Steele in favor of the Crow's Nest Pass railway running in through the Pass to Kootenay. Received.

Mr. Macpherson asked the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works: "What authority have the agents of the Nelson and Fort Sheppard Railway Company for collecting stumpage dues from free miners, on the Nelson and Fort Sheppard land grant?"

Hon. Mr. Martin, in reply, said: "No authority."

The Bedlington and Nelson Railway bill was read a second time and was then considered in committee. It was reported with amendments.

The house adjourned at 11:05 p.m. till 2 p.m. on Easter Monday.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

By Mr. Smith—In committee on the Loan bill to move to strike out all the words after the word "from" in line one of the bill, and insert the words "Ashcroft to Forks Quesnelle approximately 195 miles."

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The "Tacoma" and Her Smallpox Tow—Buoying for Haro Straits.

Passengers and freight for the canneries fully utilized the accommodations of the steamship Danube on her leaving for the North last evening. In the cargo was the Hudson Bay Company's annual shipment of supplies for Inverness on the upper Skeena, this being intended to form part of the cargo of the company's steamer Caledonia on her first trip up the river this season. The Caledonia will leave Port Simpson on the 30th inst., and there went up by the Danube to assume command of the vessel when they reach Simpson, Captain Bonsor and three of a crew. Among the passengers who will make the inaugural voyage on the Caledonia will be R. H. Hall, who intends visiting all of the Hudson Bay Company's Skeena river posts, and E. A. and Sam. Booth, who are going up to some mining property. Other passengers on the Danube were A. R. Langley and a party of eight carpenters, who have been engaged to work on E. A. Wadham's new cannery at Rivers Inlet, and J. Hansen, G. Jacobsen, N. Jacobsen and R. Peterson, who are leaving to join the Cape Scott Danish colony. They will disembark at Shushartie and cross over from there to Cape Scott in an open boat.

CAPTAIN LIBBEY EXPLAINS.

Captain Libbey, manager of the Puget Sound Tugboat Company, has written to the local agents that the captain of the Tacoma knew nothing whatever of the smallpox aboard the Alice A. Leigh. The Tacoma picked up the bark off the Cape and was never at any time closer to her, according to Captain Libbey's letter, than fifty yards. Furthermore, the captain writes, he wishes it known that this company are only too glad to assist the Dominion authorities in their efforts to guard against epidemics.

TO BENEFIT NAVIGATORS.

The United States branch dydrographic office at Port Townsend gives notice that a second class nun buoy No. 2, painted red, has been moored in 78 feet of water about one-quarter of a mile northwest of Clement reef, Canal de Haro. The new aid to navigation, which was put in place only on the 4th of this month, bears W.S.W ⅛ W. from East Point lighthouse, S.W. ¼ S. from the centre of Shipjack island, and E. ⅞ N. from Point Midgley.

MARINE NOTES.

The British ship Eivion sailed for Cape Town yesterday with 933,000 feet of lumber and 10,000 pickets, valued at $10.580.

Steamer R. P. Rithet is being put in readiness for summer duty on the Fraser river route.

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" Princess Louise	"	N. Westminster.
" Evangel	"	Port Angeles.
" Mischief	"	Admiralty Inlet

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Prices Yesterday of Wheat, Money and Metals.

NEW YORK, April 15.—Bar silver, 62; Mexican dollars, 48½; silver certificates, 62 to 62½.

Wheat—No. 2 red, April, closed 76¼; May, 74 13-16 to 75 5-16, closed 75¾; June, 75¼ to 75⅜, closed 75⅜; July, 74 to 75⅜, closed 75⅛; Sept., 72⅛ to 73¼, closed 73⅛; Dec., 74¼ to 75½, closed 75¼.

Pig iron, easy. Southern, $11; Northern, $10.50 to $11.50. Copper, dull. Brokers, $11.35; exchange, $11.35 to $11.50. Lead, dull. Brokers, $3.30; exchange, $3.30 to $3.37½. Tin, dull. Straits, $11.12½ to $11.25; plates, quiet. Spelter, steady. Domestic, $4.15 to $4.20.

Bar silver, 62. Lead, dull. Bullion, $3.30. Exchange, $3.32½ to $3.37½.

An Antidote for Asthma.

Mr. Albert Reid, Angus, Ont., was for over two years a sufferer from Asthma. A half bottle of Yellow Oil cured him completely, and although that was some time ago, he has never been troubled with the same complaint since.

English garden syringes at Cheapside.*

LOOKING BETTER.

India's Harvest Prospects Reported Very Much Brighter.

BOMBAY, April 15.—The report of the viceroy, the Earl of Elgin, on the famine situation, just issued, shows that, including the native states, 2,853,000 persons are employed on the relief works. The report adds that the prices of grain are tending to decline, owing to the rains and improved harvest prospects.

ANOTHER ALASKA STEAMER

Sails From Victoria Crowded With Passengers.

While some of the Sound papers speak of the Yukon business as being about over for this year, Victoria, on the other hand, can refer to it from a local standpoint as having just commenced to assume satisfactory proportions.

The City of Topeka yesterday morning, on her way north, received at this port fully fifty passengers and quite a heavy freight in the line of miners' supplies. These had been purchased in Victoria, where they can be secured with more advantage to the purchaser than elsewhere. Ten of the miners embarking who had outfitted in local houses came from Nanaimo. Among others were J. H. S. Secretan, Chas. Barwell, C. Lewis, C. R. Platt and H. McNaughton, a party of gold seekers intending to try their luck on the upper Yukon, and the detachment of twenty-three "mounted" police, going also to the upper Yukon. From the Sound cities the Topeka carried a good number of passengers.

Easter is coming, dress up your children. Fine line of chilren's suit only $1.45. At the workingmen's friend, 109, 111 Gov't street. x